



COMPACFLT SEAC RBAC

Commander, Pacific Fleet (COMPACFLT) Secure Enterprise Access Control (SEAC) Role Based Access Control (RBAC)

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The SEAC RBAC is available at:

<http://www.spawar.navy.mil/sti/publications/pubs/td/3182/td3182con.pdf>

References:

<http://csrc.nist.gov/rbac/>

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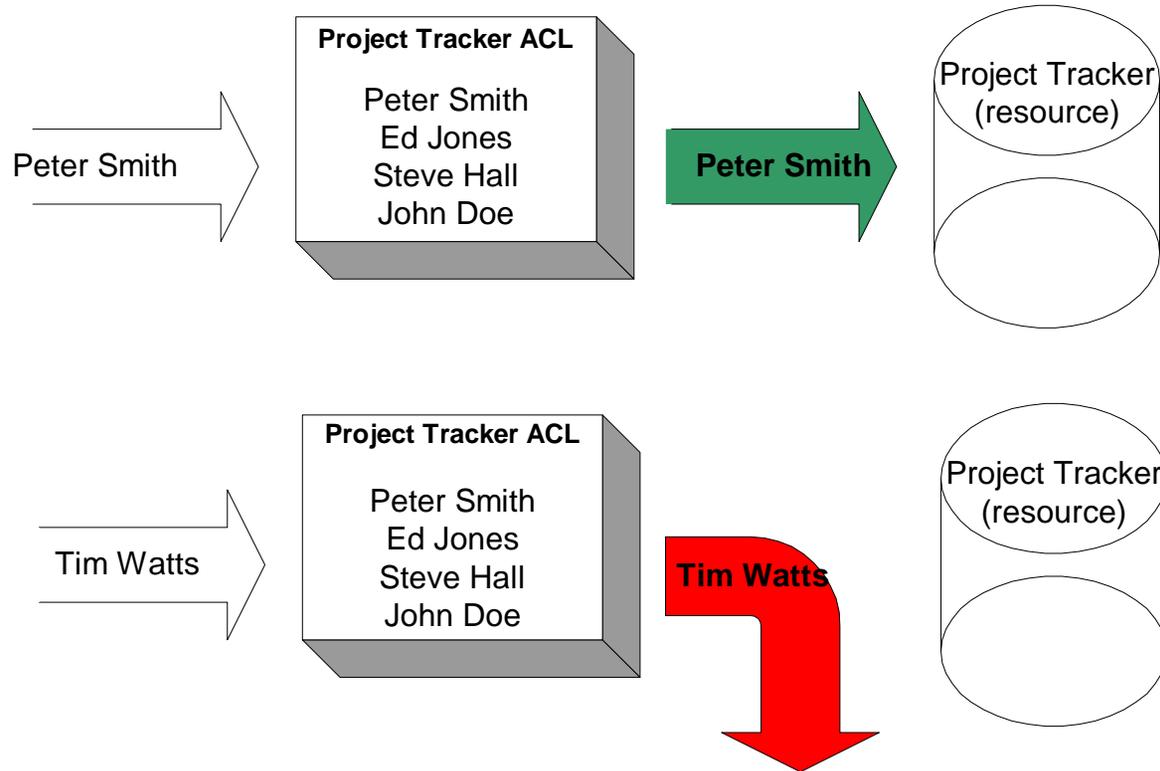
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Access Control Lists (ACL)

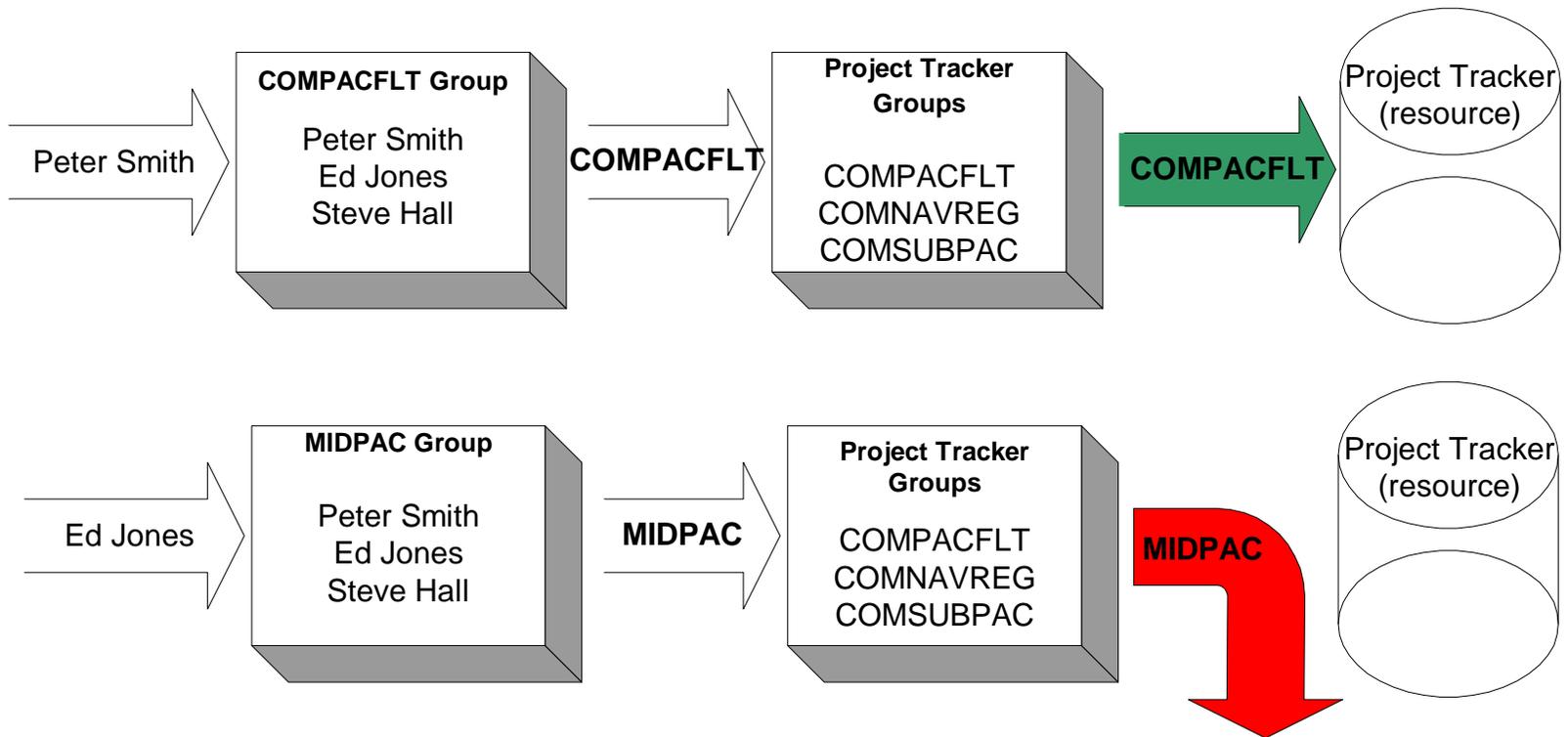
User name or unique identifier associates access to resources





Groups

User associated to a group and group associated to resources





Essentials for resource access

Necessary requirement to access resources:

- Not a user name
- Not a unique identifier
- Not a group association

- List of user characteristics



What are user characteristics

User characteristics (user profile)

- Where client works: **organization**
- What security credentials: **clearance**
- What pay category: **pay grade**
- What branch : **service**
- What vocation: **job function**
- etc



Examples of User Profiles

- User profile is a unique list of user characteristics.
- A client may have more than one user profile.
- User attributes should be compiled from an authoritative data source(s) on a real-time basis.

<u>Categories</u>	<u>COMPACFLT</u>	<u>USNR</u>
Organization:	CPF N65	Naval Intel
Clearance:	Secret	Top Secret
Paygrade:	DP3	02
Service:	DoD	DoNR
Function:	Program Manager	Intelligence



Impact on resource access

The following can affect resource access:

- Transfer to another organization
- Loss of security clearance
- Change in job title
- Job promotion

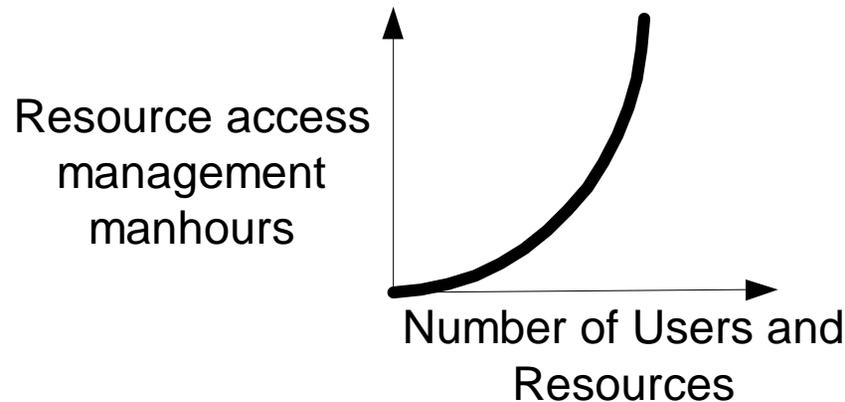


Problems with ACLs and Groups

Maintaining an updated ACL or group is time consuming.

Situation worsens when:

- Number of users increase
- Number of resources increase





NIST RBAC compliance

Because of ACL and group limitations:

The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) has declared RBAC an American National Standard - ANSI INCITS 359-2004 (approved 19 Feb 04)



NIST RBAC standard

Definitions:

Users and Roles: *"...access decisions are based on the roles that individual users have as part of an organization.*

"Access rights are grouped by role name..."

Role hierarchies: *"Under RBAC, roles can have overlapping responsibilities and privileges;*

Roles and Operations: *"Organizations can establish the rules for the association of operations with roles.*



Access control comparison

How access control solutions can simultaneously evaluate user characteristics.

User Characteristics

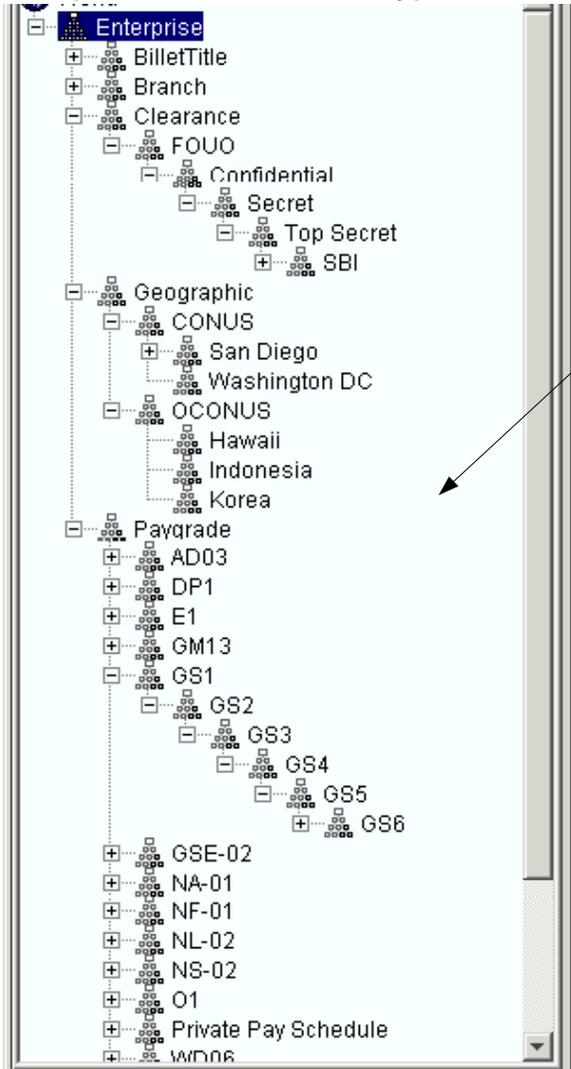
	Number of user characteristics evaluated	Hierarchal evaluation of user characteristics
ACLs	0	No
Groups	1	Yes/No
NIST RBAC	1	Yes
SEAC RBAC	Unlimited	Yes

Note: A hierarchal structure offers inheritance capabilities.



How the SEAC RBAC works

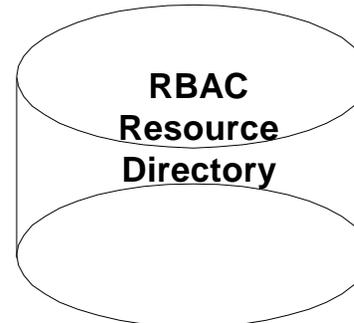
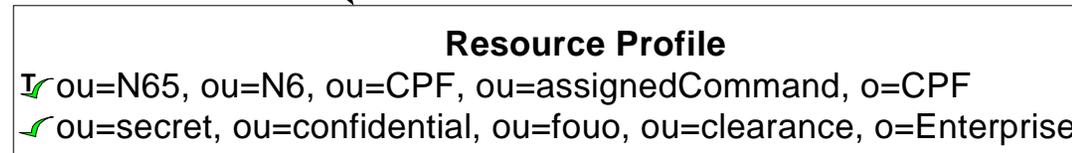
Customer Meta-Database (Reference Directory)



Step 1:

Resource manager establishes a set of conditions to access a resource.

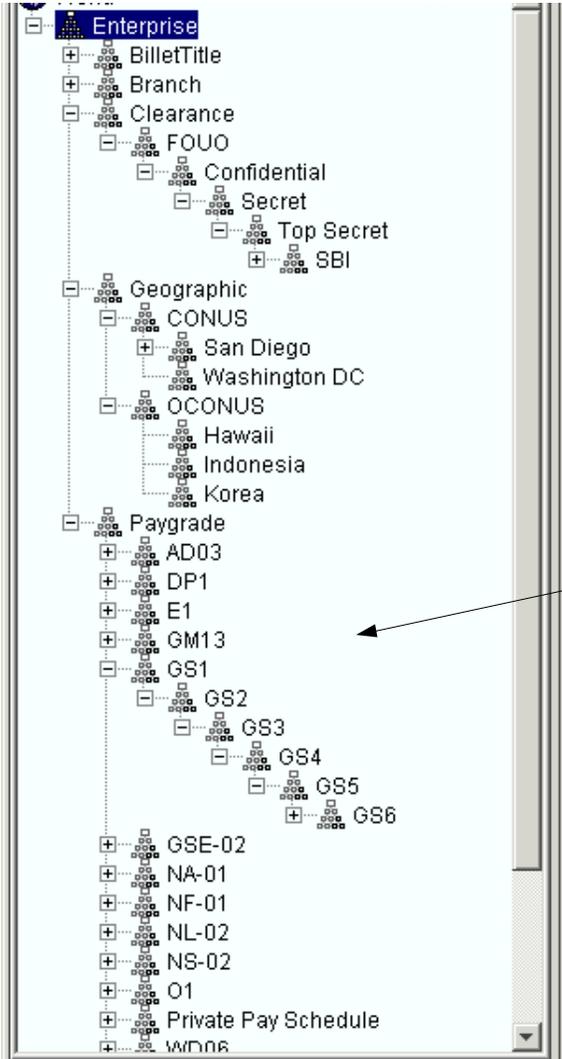
These set of conditions represent a **resource profile**.





How the SEAC RBAC works

Customer Meta-Database (Reference Directory)



Customer User
Profile Manager
Interface



Step 2:

An effective RBAC requires real-time creation of user profile(s) from authoritative data source(s).

Distinguished
Name
Generator

Customer Personnel
Database

Reference Categories assigned	Attributes
command	N65
clearance	Secret
paygrade	GS3

User Profile

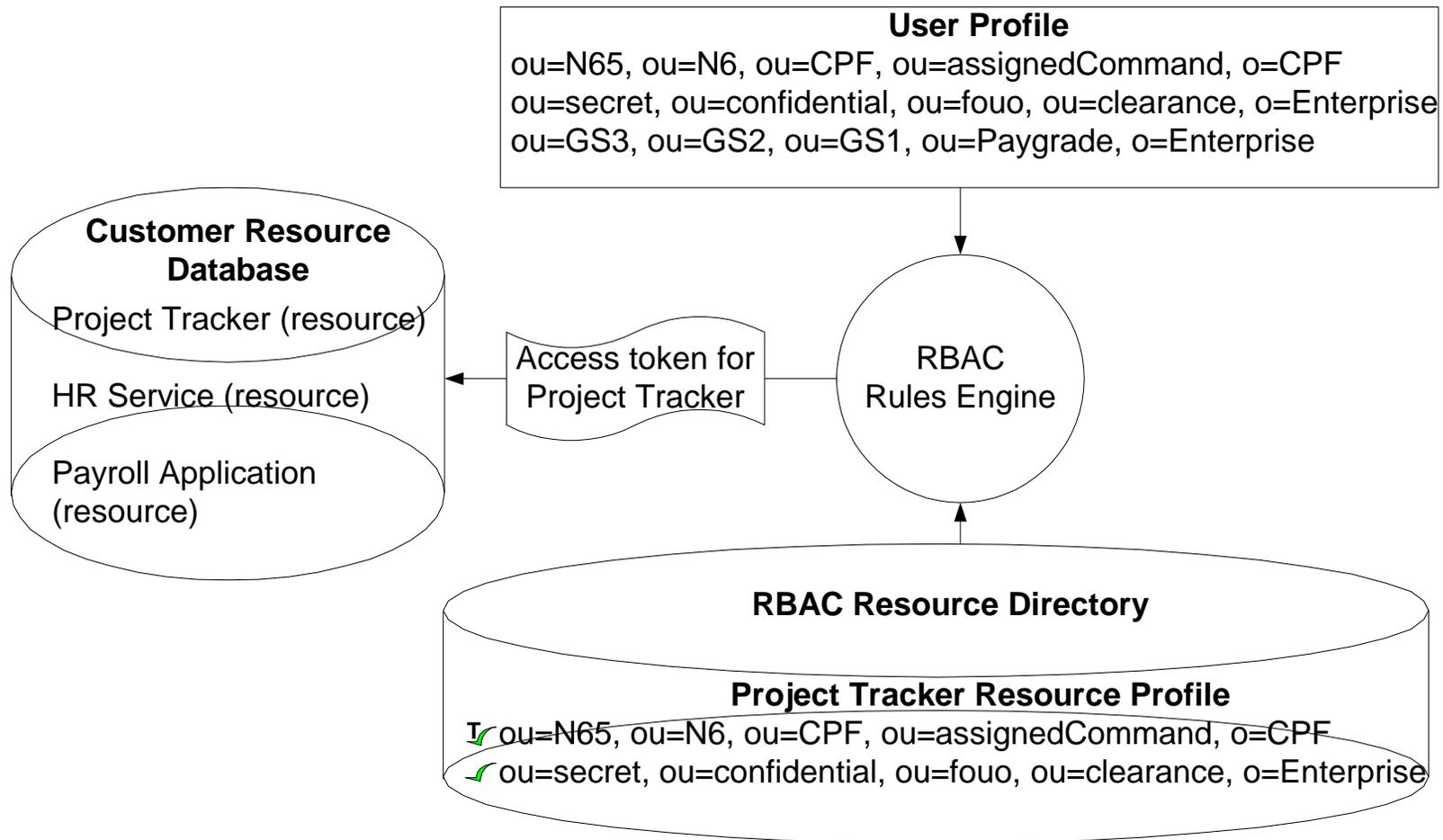
ou=N65, ou=N6, ou=CPF, ou=assignedCommand, o=CPF
ou=secret, ou=confidential, ou=fouo, ou=clearance, o=Enterprise
ou=GS3, ou=GS2, ou=GS1, ou=Paygrade, o=Enterprise



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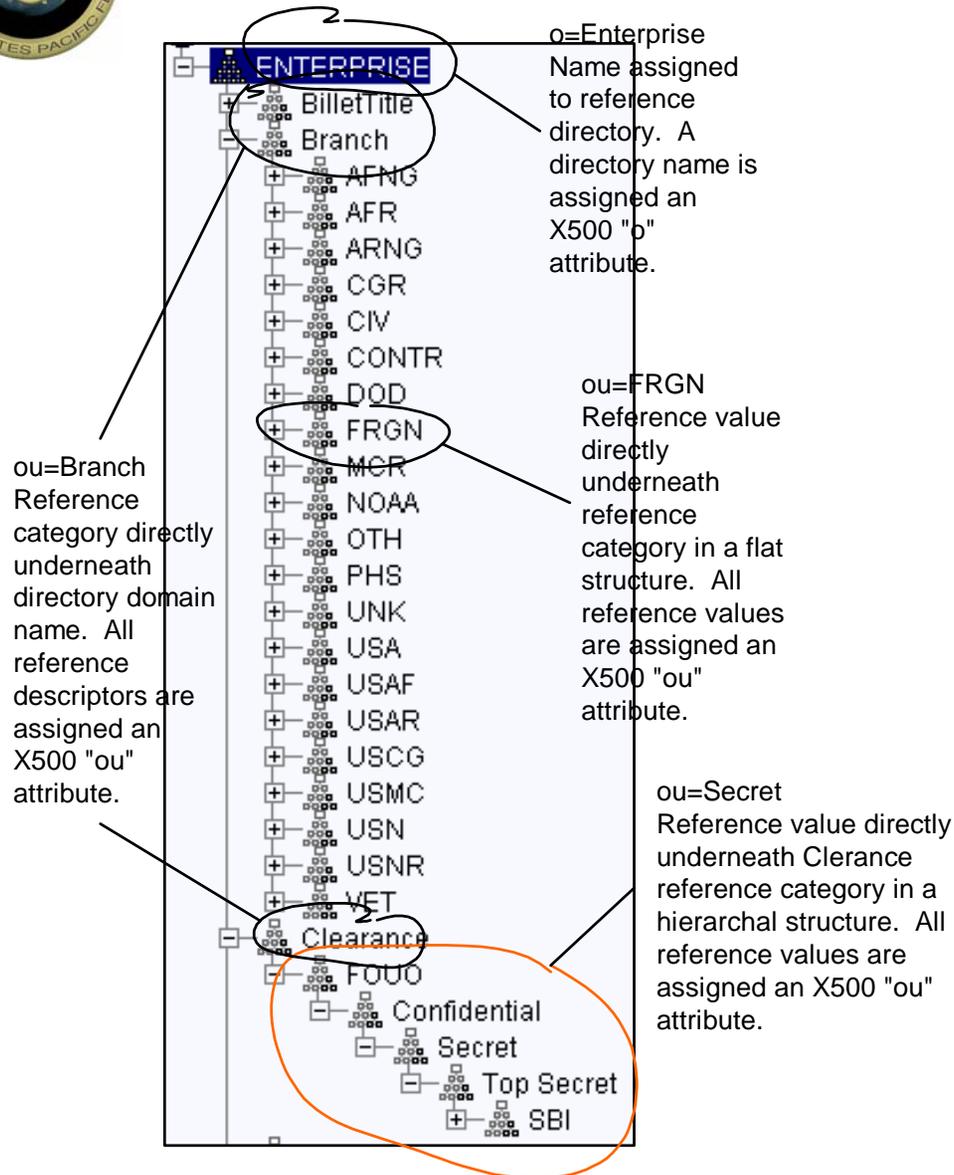
Step 3:

The RBAC Rules Engine compares User and Resource Profiles to determine resource access.





Reference directory standard specifications



- Customer meta-database
- LDAP v 3/DSML directory
- X500 class objects
 - organization
 - organizationalUnit
- Scalable
 - unlimited entries
 - modifications allowed
- Structure designation
 - domain
 - reference category
 - values
- Structure
 - flat
 - hierarchal
- Maintained
 - local commands
 - regional commands



SEAC RBAC – Resource profiles

Resource Roles for Project Tracker	Resource Profiles		
Guest	CPF Guest T ✓ COMPACFLT	CSP Guest T ✓ COMSUBPAC ✓ DoD	CNR Guests T ✓ COMNAVREG Tuesdays 1700 -2300
User	CPF N6 Users T ✓ CPF N6 T ✓ GS12 Mon & Thurs 0800 -1300	Deny Contr Users T ✗ CPF N6 ✗ Secret ✗ CONTR	
Administrator	CPF Admin ✓ CPF N65 T ✓ TS	Deny CPF N65 Admin T ✗ CPF N65 ✗ CONTR Mon & Thurs 0800 -1300	

- Resource roles
- Allow & Deny profiles
- Exact and subtree conditions
- Time constraints



SEAC RBAC – Security levels

During INFOCON B

INFOCON A	Guest	CPF Guest	CSP Guest	CNR Guests
	User	CPF NB Users	Deny Contr Users	
	Admin	CPF Admin	Deny CPF NSS Admin	
INFOCON B	Guest	CPF Guest	CSP Guest	CNR Guests
	User	CPF NB Users	Deny Contr Users	
	Admin	CPF Admin	Deny CPF NSS Admin	
INFOCON C	Guest	CPF Guest	CSP Guest	CNR Guests
	User	CPF NB Users	Deny Contr Users	
	Admin	CPF Admin	Deny CPF NSS Admin	
INFOCON D	Guest	CPF Guest	CSP Guest	CNR Guests
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	Admin	CPF Admin	Deny CPF NSS Admin	

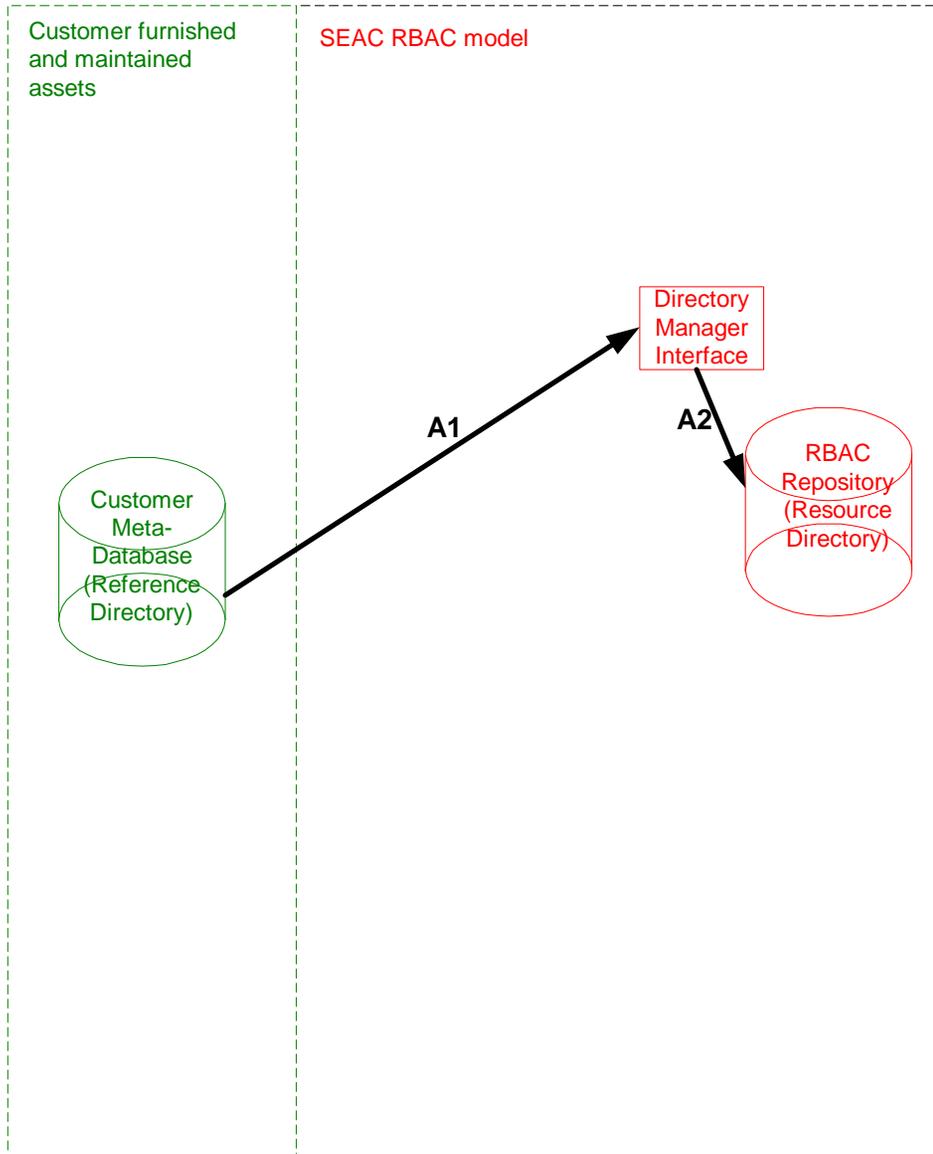
During INFOCON C

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	Admin	CPF Admin	Deny CPF NSS Admin	
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	Admin	CPF Admin	Deny CPF NSS Admin	
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	User	CPF NB Users	Deny Contr Users	
	Admin	CPF Admin	Deny CPF NSS Admin	
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- Pre-configure conditions under each security level.
- RBAC Rules Engine evaluates only conditions for prevailing security level.



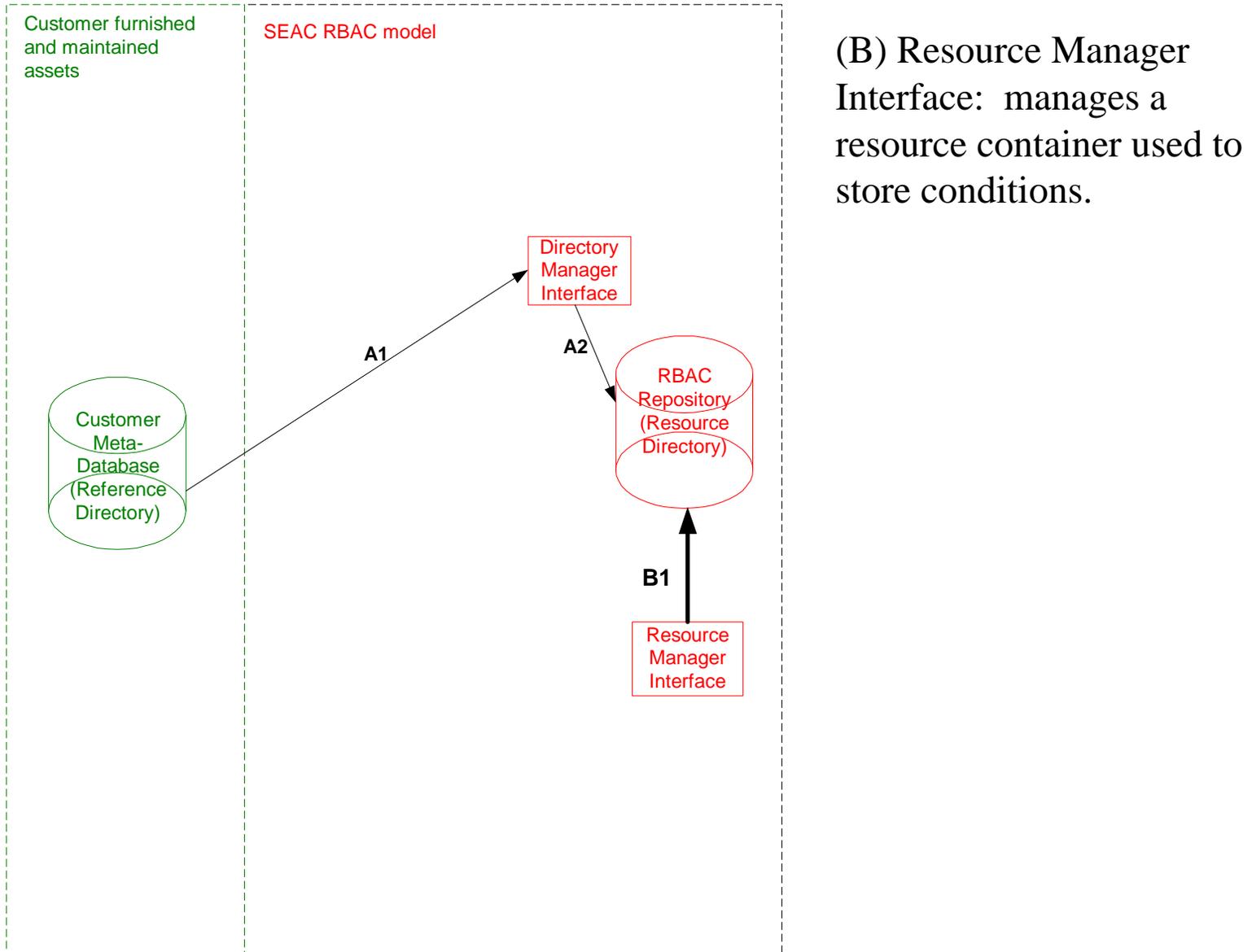
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(A) Directory Manager Interface: manages reference directory referrals.

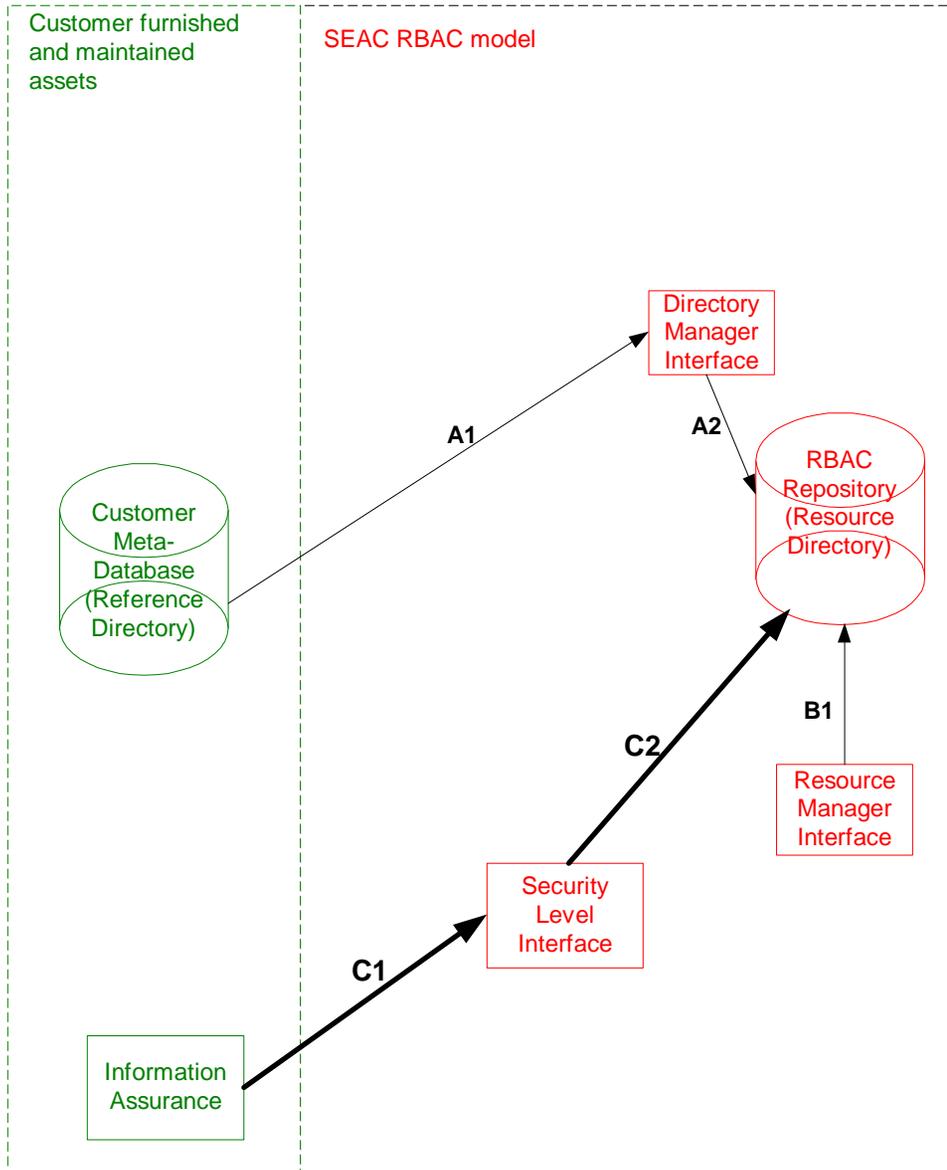


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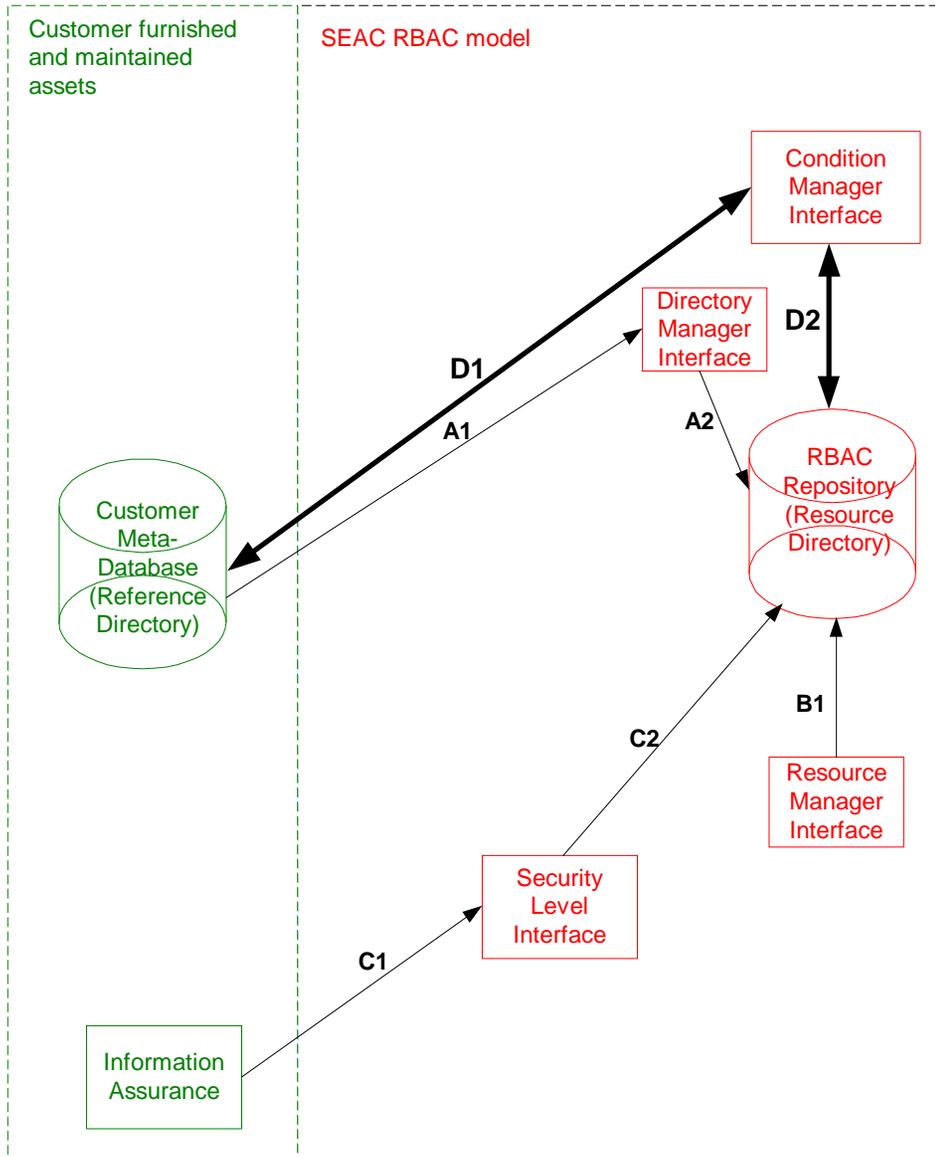
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(C) Security Level Interface: establishes prevailing security level.



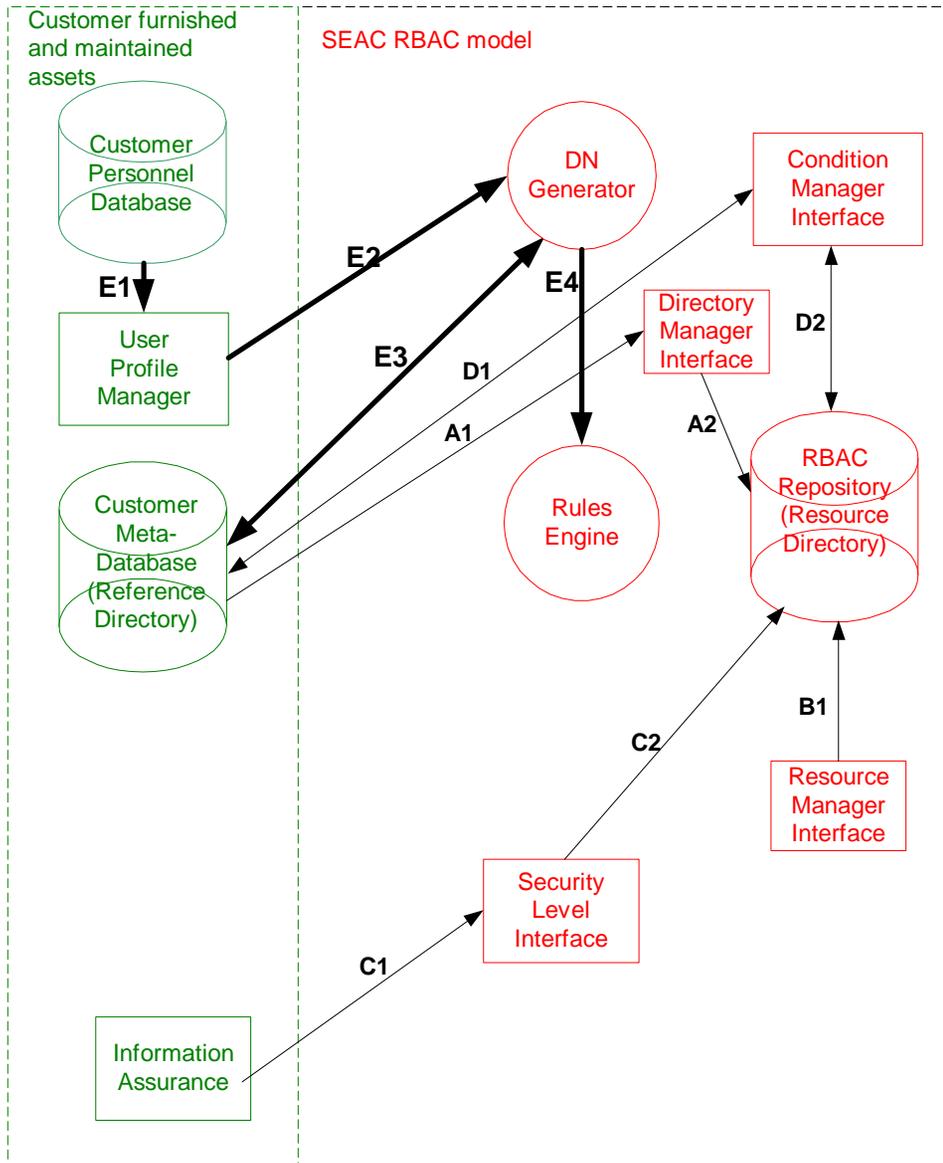
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(D) Condition Manager Interface: establishes conditions to access resources.



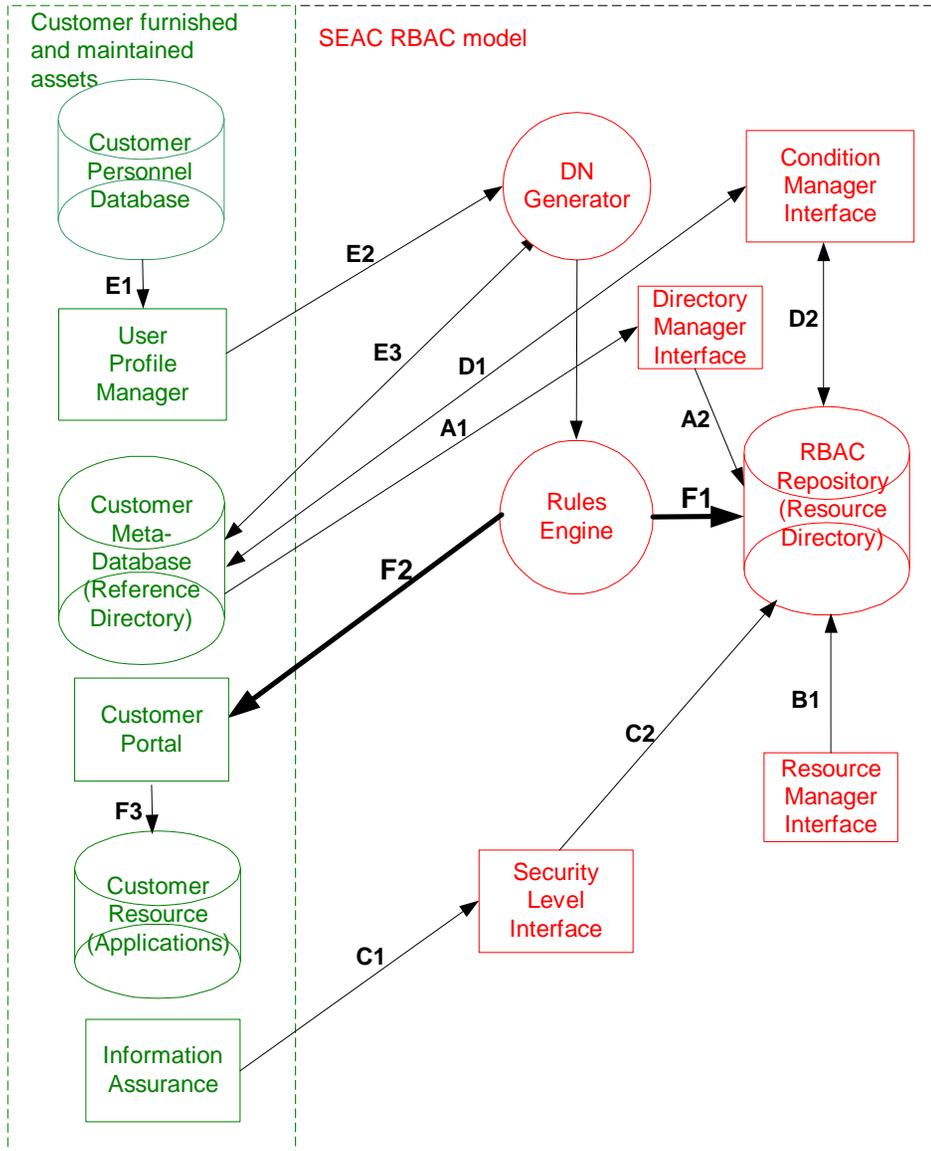
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(E) User profile manager: user profile selection and DN formatting.



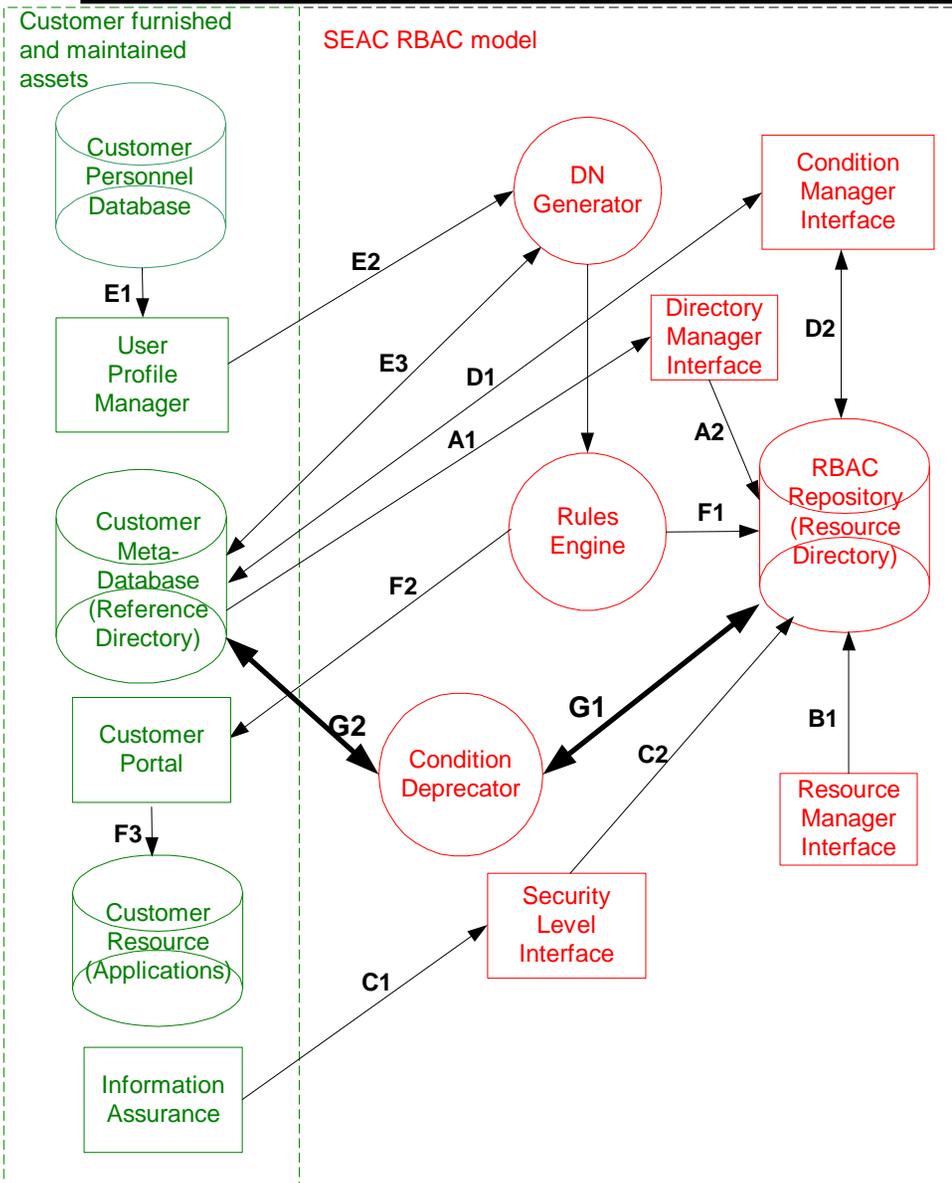
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(F) Rules Engines: evaluates user and resource profiles to determine resource access.



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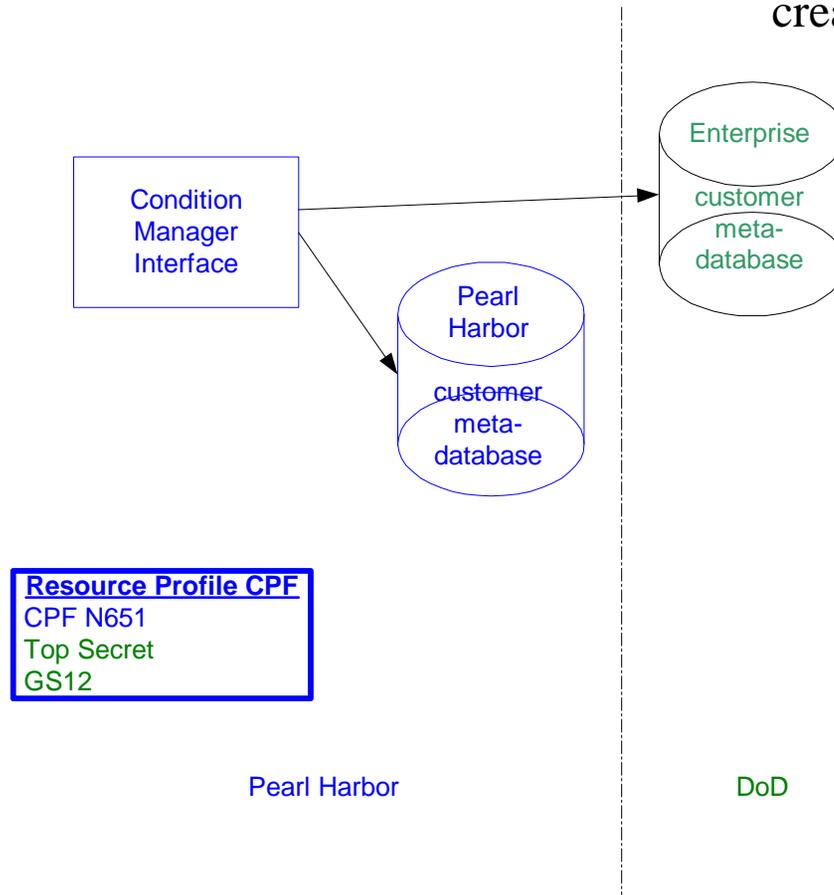


(G) Condition deprecation: scans reference directories and compares resource profiles for any changes.



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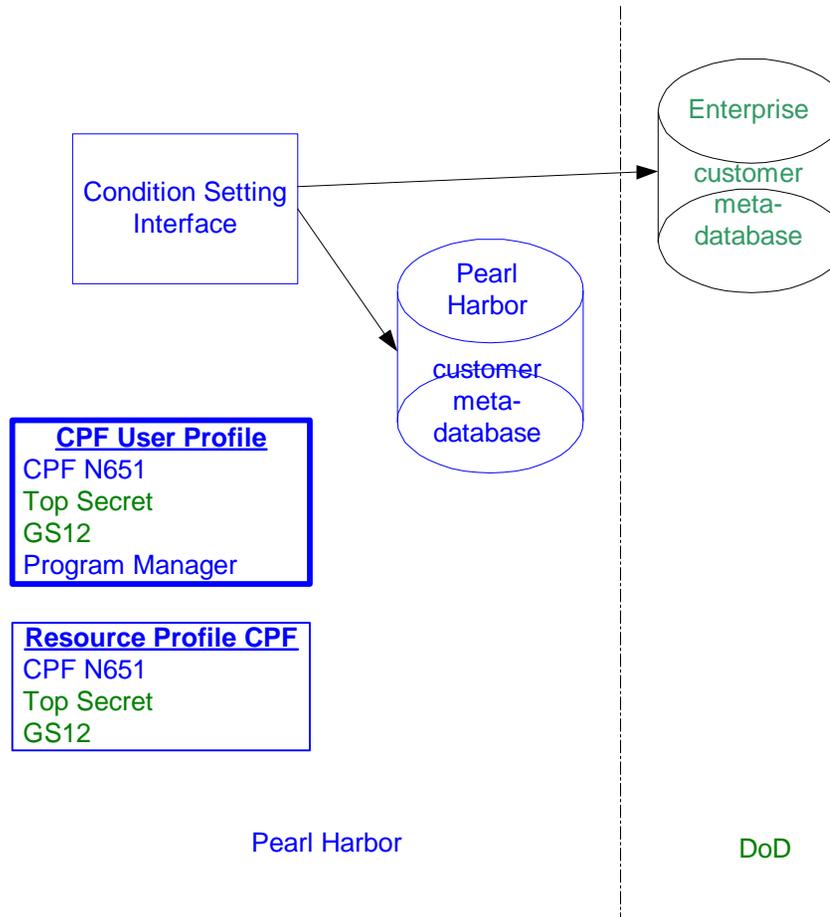
Pearl Harbor: resource profile created for local resource access.





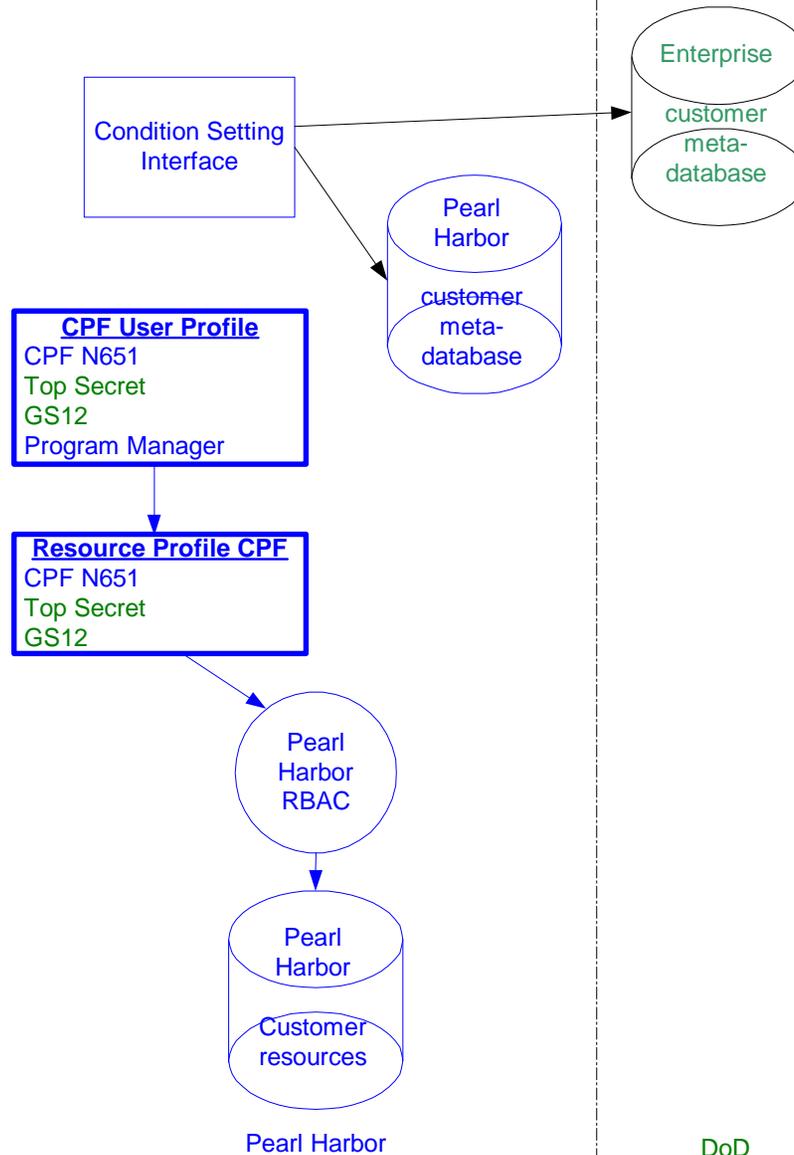
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Pearl Harbor: local user profile is generated to access a local resource.





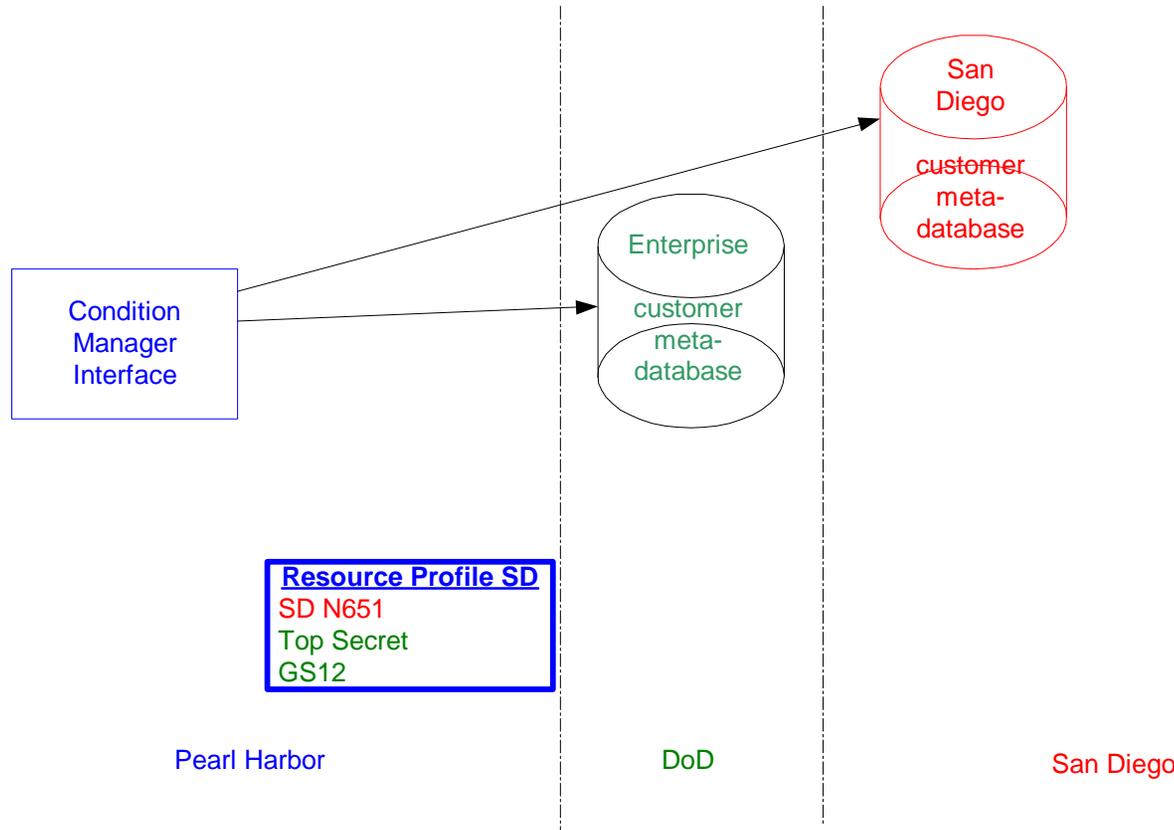
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Pearl Harbor: user and resource profiles are evaluated by rules engine to determine local resource access.



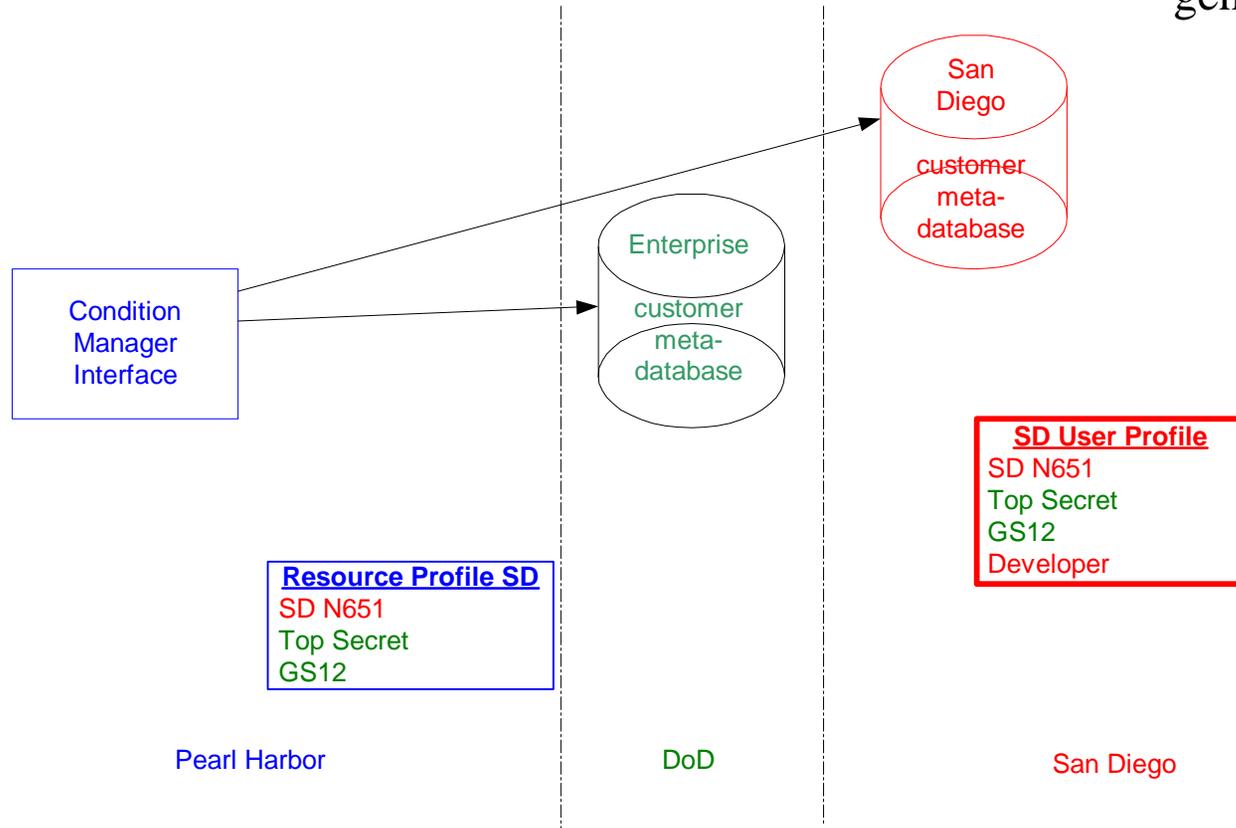
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Pearl Harbor: A resource profile to allow remote users access to local resources.



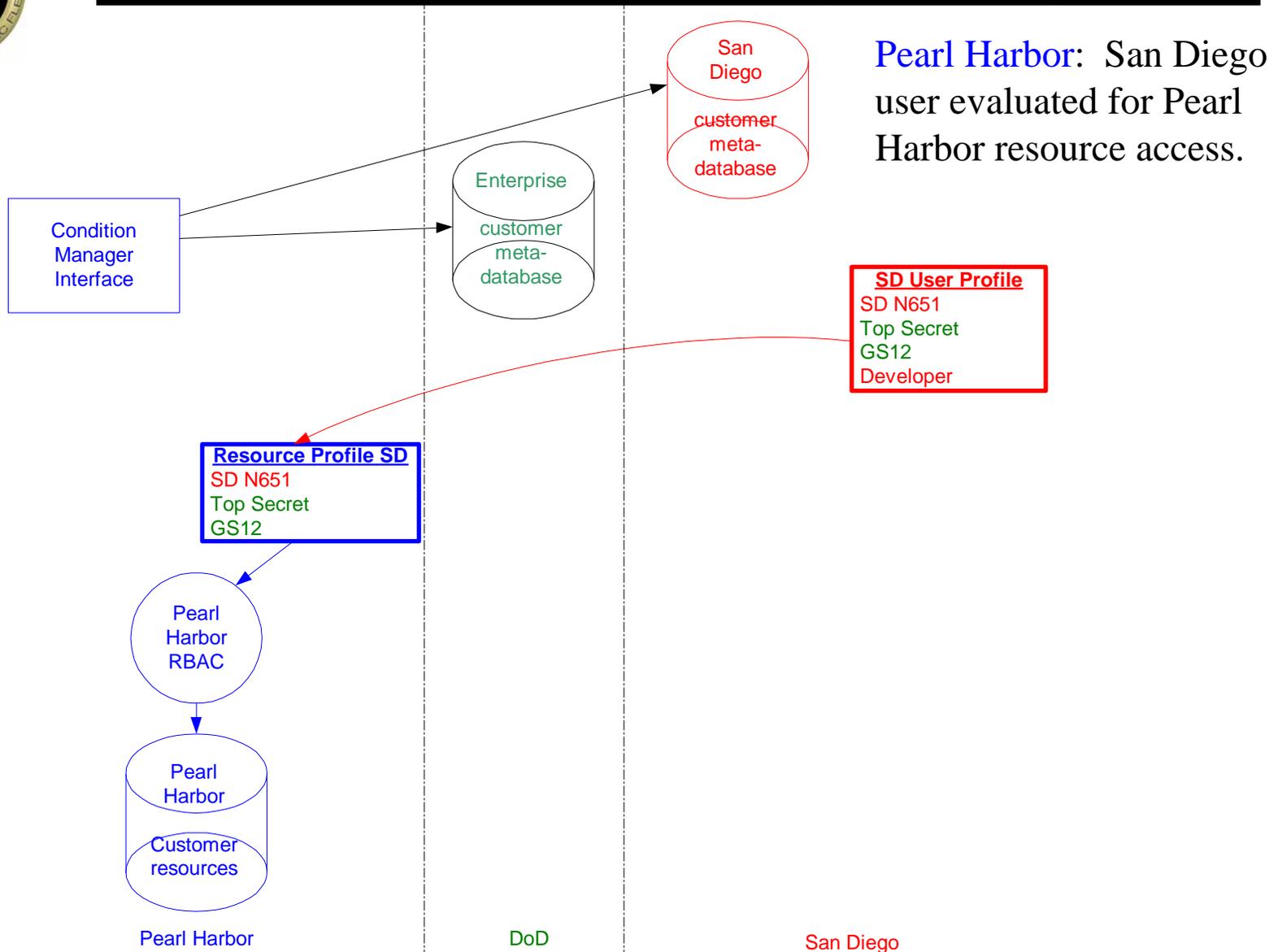
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San Diego: user profile generated.



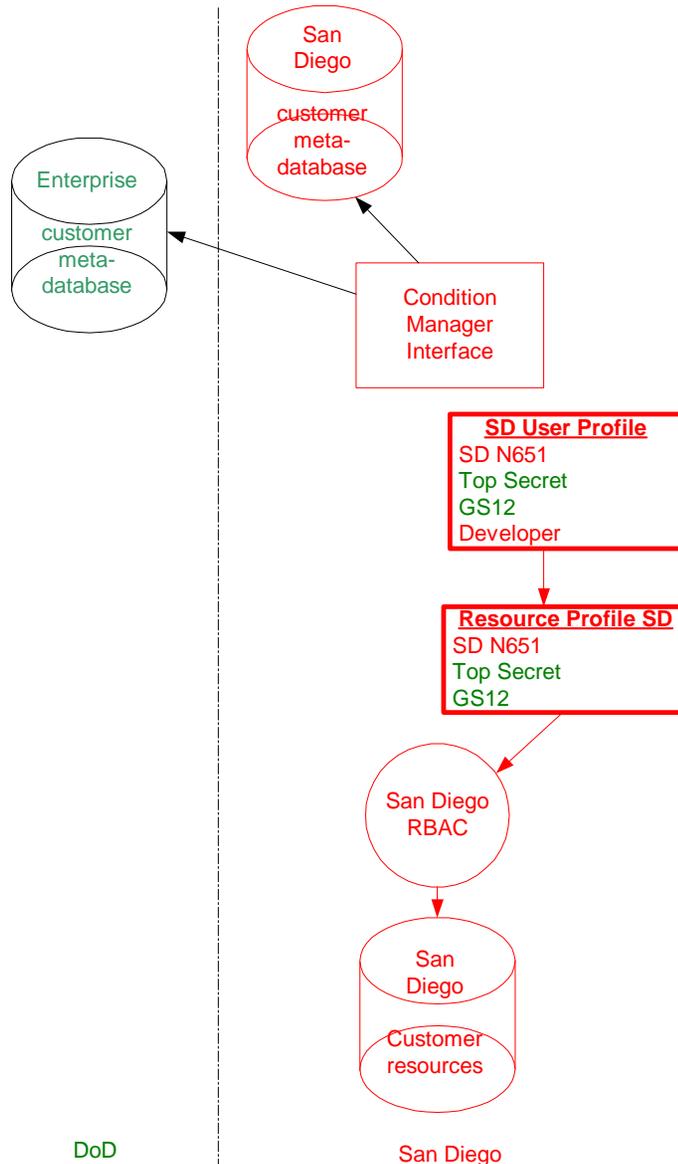
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Pearl Harbor: San Diego user evaluated for Pearl Harbor resource access.



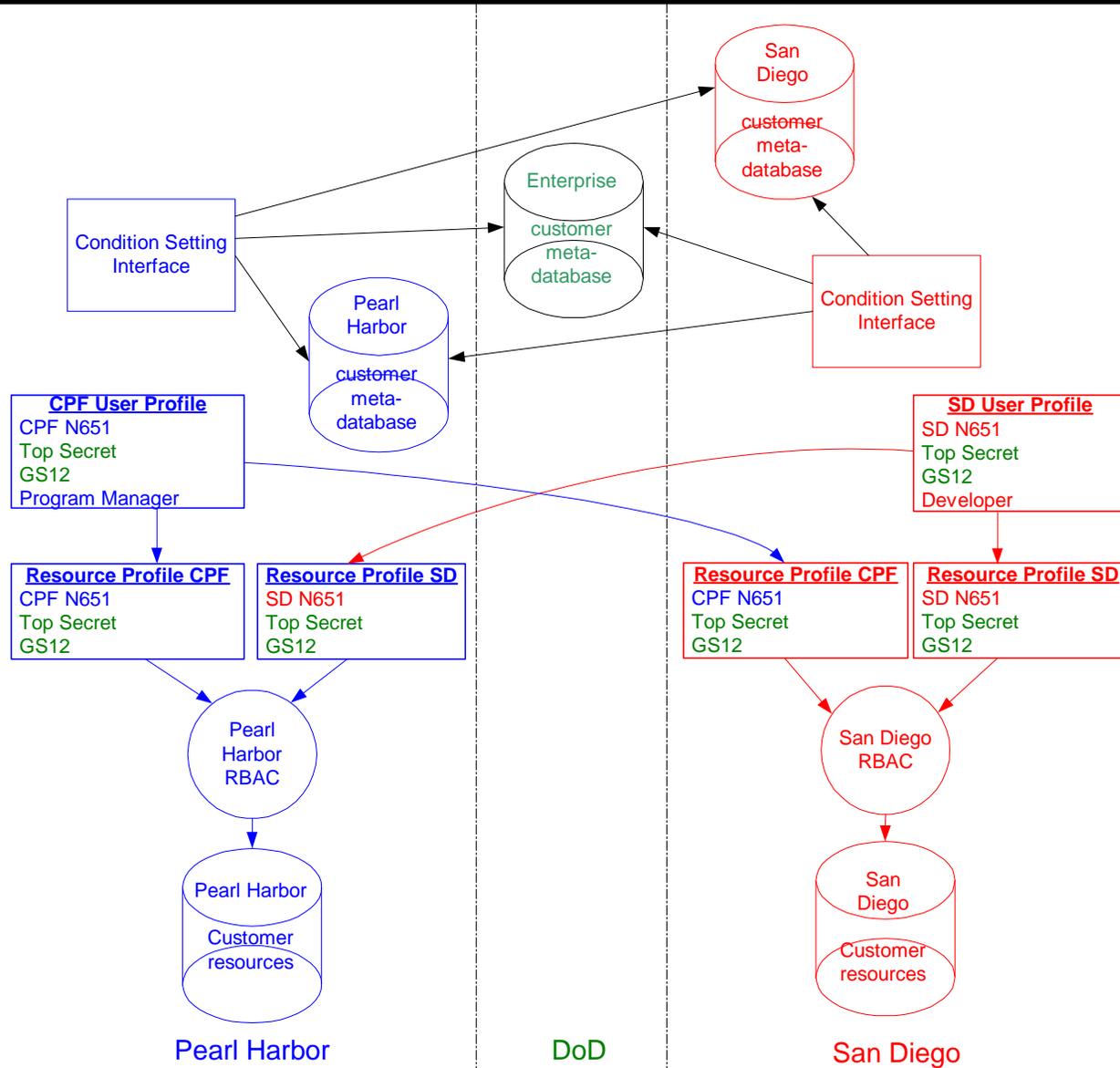
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San Diego: same user evaluated for San Diego resource access.



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